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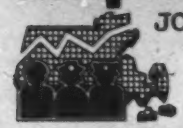

HIGHLIGHTS

September Employment Trends Encouraging

The September nonagricultural employment estimate for the State recorded an over the year increase of more than 10,000 workers. The last time employment surpassed year ago levels was during September 1981, exactly two years ago. This positive trend is further indication that Massachusetts is recapturing some of the jobs lost during the recent recession.

The largest over the year increase occurred in the service sector with an additional 14,100 jobs. While manufacturing jobs decreased by 4,000 over the year, they did show a significant monthly gain from their August 1983 employment level, even when discounting the effect of the ending of a labor management dispute. Hopefully, the stimulus of an improved national economy will bring October manufacturing employment to a level higher than that recorded during October 1982. The second largest over the year employment gain of 4,400 was posted in the finance, insurance and real estate sector; a direct result of more favorable interest rates and better investment opportunities in 1983.

The monthly employment increase in the State was deceptively large due to the ending of two major labor disputes. Seasonal increases were found in wholesale and retail trade and educational services.

Hours Up Significantly

Average weekly hours worked in the durable goods segment of manufacturing jumped by 1.3 hours between August and September 1983, reaching a level of 41.8. Meanwhile, nondurable goods hours remained virtualy unchanged, advancing 0.1 hour to 39.4. Since September 1982, the upturn in hours worked has been dramatic. Manufacturing is up 2.0 hours to 40.7, with the durable goods segment climbing by 2.3 hours and the nondurable goods segment by 1.8 hours. Employment growth generally lags behind a surge in average weekly hours as employers first adjust staff time to meet heavier workloads before making plans to recall or hire additional workers.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

SEPTEMBER 1983

PAGE	AREA	Employment (In 000's)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
		Sept 83	Aug 83	Sept 82
3	MASSACHUSETTS	2636.1	2585.6	2625.4
4	Boston, SMSA	1484.0	1456.6	1468.1
8	Brockton, SMSA	56.3	54.7	56.4
8	Fall River, Ma. - R.I., SMSA	51.8	50.7	53.2
7	* Fitchburg-Leominster, SMSA	39.2	37.9	39.6
7	Lowell, LMA	81.5	80.7	79.9
7	Lawrence - Haverhill, Ma. - N.H., SMSA	113.8	.06.3	112.3
8	New Bedford, LMA	64.4	64.0	63.5
7	* Pittsfield, LMA	49.9	51.1	51.2
5	Springfield - Chicopee - Holyoke, LMA	228.1	219.3	230.6
6	Worcester, LMA	158.8	154.8	159.7

NOTE: Current month estimate preliminary.

* Not Currently Validated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	THE LABOR FORCE			TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT			THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE		
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82
MASSACHUSETTS	3,023,100	3,063,900	3,052,000	2,810,100	2,880,500	2,827,100	213,000	183,400	224,900	7.0	6.0	7.4
MAJOR LABOR AREAS												
BOSTON SMSA	1,461,762	1,486,291	1,472,011	1,372,684	1,408,982	1,377,807	89,078	77,309	94,204	6.1	5.2	6.4
BROCKTON SMSA	81,899	82,000	82,213	75,018	75,863	74,988	6,881	6,137	7,225	8.4	7.5	8.8
FALL RIVER LMA	74,453	74,281	78,271	66,996	68,015	70,310	7,457	6,266	7,961	10.0	8.4	10.2
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL SMSA	150,734	146,879	149,249	138,253	135,926	136,343	12,481	10,953	12,906	8.3	7.5	8.6
LOWELL LMA	134,599	137,651	134,622	126,346	130,692	125,282	8,253	6,959	9,340	6.1	5.1	6.9
NEW BEDFORD LMA	87,642	87,509	85,825	77,965	80,661	76,281	9,677	6,848	9,544	11.0	7.8	11.1
SPRINGFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE LMA	289,811	290,294	296,380	268,331	271,300	274,634	21,480	18,994	21,746	7.4	6.5	7.3
WORCESTER LMA	197,487	199,656	204,705	183,034	186,706	186,769	14,453	12,950	17,936	7.3	6.5	8.8
OTHER LABOR AREAS												
ATTLEBORO LMA	51,070	52,205	53,832	46,808	48,137	49,276	4,262	4,068	4,556	8.3	7.8	8.5
ATHOL LMA	11,120	10,743	11,622	9,437	9,395	9,957	1,683	1,348	1,665	15.1	12.5	14.3
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	85,699	94,470	82,872	80,285	89,732	77,436	5,414	4,738	5,436	6.3	5.0	6.6
CLINTON LMA	9,464	9,180	9,649	8,654	8,439	8,756	810	741	893	8.6	8.1	9.3
DUKES COUNTY LMA	6,954	8,545	6,305	6,690	8,308	6,041	264	237	264	3.8	2.8	4.2
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER SMSA	49,157	49,245	50,480	44,913	45,594	45,509	4,244	3,651	4,971	8.6	7.4	9.8
GARDNER LMA	20,508	20,064	20,998	18,347	18,371	18,824	2,161	1,693	2,174	10.5	8.4	10.4
GLOUCESTER LMA	25,069	24,861	25,222	22,489	22,773	23,019	2,580	2,088	2,203	10.3	8.4	8.7
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	10,476	11,098	10,753	9,927	10,631	10,193	549	467	560	5.2	4.2	5.2
GREENFIELD LMA	28,728	28,455	29,028	26,749	26,718	26,814	1,979	1,737	2,214	6.9	6.1	7.6
MARLBOROUGH LMA	54,976	54,809	56,833	52,271	52,735	53,896	2,705	2,074	2,937	4.9	3.8	5.2
MILFORD LMA	23,936	24,534	20,300	22,133	22,926	18,581	1,803	1,608	1,719	7.5	6.6	8.5
NANTUCKET LMA	5,079	6,574	4,833	4,965	6,481	4,716	114	93	117	2.2	1.4	2.4
NEWBURYPORT LMA	21,282	21,026	21,318	19,600	19,544	19,462	1,682	1,482	1,856	7.9	7.0	8.7
PITTSFIELD LMA	66,605	69,956	70,733	61,047	65,307	65,517	5,558	4,649	5,216	8.3	6.6	7.4
PLYMOUTH LMA	40,531	38,534	38,930	37,582	35,951	35,853	2,949	2,583	3,077	7.3	6.7	7.9
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	15,779	14,984	16,151	14,345	13,735	14,535	1,434	1,249	1,616	9.1	8.3	10.0
TAUNTON LMA	26,246	26,021	26,254	23,516	23,468	23,371	2,730	2,553	2,883	10.4	9.8	11.0
WARE LMA	5,384	5,844	5,873	4,765	5,226	5,212	619	618	661	11.5	10.6	11.3

MASSACHUSETTS JOB MATCHING SERVICE DATA[2]

	SEPT 1983	AUG 1983	SEPT 1982
AVAILABLE APPLICANTS	73,559	72,533	89,547
UNFILLED OPENINGS	22,966	26,163	15,241

1 - By place of residence
2 - ESARS(at end of period)

MASSACHUSETTS

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

SEPTEMBER 1983

Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2636.1	2585.6	2625.4	50.5	10.7
Manufacturing	629.0	617.2	633.0	11.8	-4.0
Durable Goods	383.1	374.1	386.9	9.0	-3.8
Lumber & Furniture	12.1	12.1	11.3	0.0	0.8
Stone,Clay & Glass	10.8	10.7	11.4	0.1	-0.6
Primary Metals	14.7	14.3	14.7	0.4	0.0
Fabricated Metals	44.8	44.9	45.8	-0.1	-1.0
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	10.3	10.2	10.3	0.3	0.2
Machinery, except electrical	100.6	100.4	103.4	0.2	-2.8
Metalworking machinery	12.5	12.5	14.6	0.0	-2.1
Special industry machinery	11.7	12.0	13.9	-0.3	-2.2
* Office & computing machines	53.6	53.4	50.4	0.2	3.2
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	111.1	104.0	110.3	7.1	0.8
Communications equipment	34.7	28.7	33.9	6.0	0.8
Electronic components	54.0	53.0	51.9	1.0	2.1
Transportation equipment	33.4	32.9	32.8	0.5	0.6
Instruments	55.6	54.8	57.2	0.8	-1.6
Measuring & Control devices	20.9	20.1	21.5	0.8	-0.6
Nondurable Goods	245.9	243.1	246.1	2.8	-0.2
Food & kindred products	24.8	24.3	25.2	0.5	-0.4
Textile mill products	21.9	21.8	20.5	0.1	1.4
Apparel	38.7	38.8	38.6	-0.1	0.1
Mens & Boys suits,coats & furnishings	7.9	8.1	8.8	-0.2	-0.9
Paper & allied products	26.3	25.9	26.4	0.4	-0.1
Paper	5.1	5.1	5.2	0.0	-0.1
Paperboard containers	8.2	7.9	8.2	0.3	0.0
Printing & Publishing	44.0	43.8	45.1	0.2	-1.1
Newspapers	13.6	13.2	13.3	0.4	0.3
Chemicals	17.1	17.4	17.1	-0.3	0.0
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	30.9	30.2	29.4	0.7	1.5
Miscellaneous Plastic products	22.4	21.7	21.4	0.7	1.0
Leather & Leather products	17.8	17.2	18.7	0.6	-0.9
Footwear, except rubber	9.4	9.4	10.6	0.0	-1.2
Miscellaneous Manufacturing industries	22.8	22.3	23.3	0.5	-0.5
Jewelry	9.4	9.2	9.0	0.2	0.4
* High Technology Industries	239.5	231.8	237.2	7.7	2.3
Construction	78.1	77.2	83.6	0.9	-5.5
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	118.8	93.5	120.5	25.3	-1.7
Electric, Gas, & Sanitary services	18.7	19.0	18.3	-0.3	0.4
Wholesale & Retail trade	580.2	575.6	577.4	4.6	2.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	175.2	178.2	170.8	-3.0	4.4
Banking	53.1	54.1	51.6	-1.0	1.5
Services & Mining	699.1	691.9	685.0	7.2	14.1
Health Services	219.1	217.8	219.2	1.3	-0.1
Educational Services	100.5	89.0	98.2	11.5	2.3
Government	355.7	352.0	355.1	3.7	0.6
Federal	55.6	56.6	55.0	-1.0	0.6
U.S. Postal Service	20.2	20.4	20.3	-0.2	-0.1
State	92.9	89.2	90.0	3.7	2.9
Educational services	28.3	23.9	27.9	4.4	0.4
Local	207.2	206.2	210.1	1.0	-2.9
Educational services	113.4	104.7	114.6	8.7	-1.2

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B O S T O N, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	SEPTEMBER 1983 EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1484.0	1456.6	1468.1	27.4	15.9
Manufacturing	287.2	284.9	287.7	2.3	-0.5
Durable Goods	193.8	192.6	195.2	1.2	-1.4
Primary Metals	3.7	3.6	3.8	0.1	-0.1
Fabricated Metals	17.6	17.5	17.9	0.1	-0.3
Machinery, except electrical	45.0	45.1	46.6	-0.1	-1.6
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	58.6	58.1	56.4	0.5	2.2
Transportation equipment	20.7	20.2	21.4	0.5	-0.7
Instruments	42.3	42.1	43.3	0.2	-1.0
Nondurable Goods	93.4	92.3	92.5	1.1	0.9
Food & kindred products	12.9	12.7	13.4	0.2	-0.5
Textile mill products	3.8	3.8	3.6	0.0	0.2
Apparel	11.8	11.7	11.8	0.1	0.0
Paper & allied products	8.3	8.1	7.9	0.2	0.4
Printing & Publishing	26.0	25.7	25.3	0.3	0.7
Newspapers	7.3	7.0	7.4	0.3	-0.1
Chemicals	8.8	8.8	8.9	0.0	-0.1
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	10.3	10.4	10.3	-0.1	0.0
Leather & Leather products	5.5	5.5	5.5	0.0	0.0
Construction	46.4	46.4	47.1	0.0	-0.7
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	70.3	60.2	71.5	10.1	-1.2
Electric, Gas, & Sanitery services	9.4	9.4	8.9	0.0	0.5
Wholesale & Retail trade	323.1	316.4	318.2	6.7	4.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	123.1	124.7	118.1	-1.6	5.0
Banking	35.8	35.9	33.4	-0.1	2.4
Insurance	38.8	39.3	38.3	-0.5	0.5
Services & Mining	456.2	448.7	447.9	7.5	8.3
Health Services	127.6	127.1	126.8	0.5	0.8
Educational Services	76.1	66.1	76.9	10.0	-0.8
Government	177.7	175.3	177.6	2.4	0.1
Federal	34.7	34.8	33.8	-0.1	0.9
U.S. Postal Service	12.4	12.5	12.1	-0.1	0.3
Federal Hospitals	5.0	4.9	4.8	0.1	0.2
State	45.1	45.6	44.7	-0.5	0.4
State Hospitals	5.2	5.0	5.0	0.2	0.2
Educational services	8.5	8.0	8.7	0.5	-0.2
Local	97.9	94.9	99.1	3.0	-1.2
Educational services	50.5	45.8	51.1	4.7	-0.6

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

SEPTEMBER 1983 — Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	228.1	219.3	230.6	8.8	-2.5
Manufacturing	55.9	54.9	58.0	1.0	-2.1
Durable Goods	24.2	23.3	25.4	0.9	-1.2
Primary Metals	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.0	0.0
Fabricated Metals	7.6	7.1	8.7	0.5	-1.1
Machinery, except electrical	7.4	7.2	7.7	0.2	-0.3
Special industry machinery	1.3	1.4	1.4	-0.1	-0.1
General industry machinery	1.3	1.2	1.5	0.1	-0.2
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	2.7	2.6	2.6	0.1	0.1
Nondurable Goods	31.7	31.6	32.6	0.1	-0.9
Textile mill products	1.7	1.7	1.6	0.0	0.1
Apparel	2.3	2.2	2.5	0.1	-0.2
Paper & allied products	7.3	7.4	7.4	-0.1	-0.1
Miscellaneous converted paper products	4.6	4.6	4.7	0.0	-0.1
Printing & Publishing	5.7	5.7	5.6	0.0	0.1
Chemicals	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous Manufacturing industries	4.9	5.0	5.6	-0.1	-0.7
Construction	5.7	6.0	5.8	-0.3	-0.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	8.4	8.1	9.0	2.3	-0.6
Wholesale & Retail trade	47.6	46.4	48.7	1.2	-1.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	13.7	13.8	13.7	-0.1	0.0
Insurance	5.5	5.5	5.5	0.0	0.0
Services & Mining	50.0	48.0	49.6	2.0	0.4
Government	46.8	44.1	45.8	2.7	1.0
Federal	5.5	5.5	5.6	0.0	-0.1
U.S. Postal Service	3.1	3.1	3.2	0.0	-0.1
State	15.6	14.5	14.8	1.1	0.8
Educational services	8.6	7.5	8.5	1.1	0.1
Local	25.7	24.1	22.8	1.6	2.9
Educational services	15.0	13.0	14.3	2.0	0.7

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS LMA

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

SEPTEMBER 1983 — Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	158.8	154.8	159.7	4.0	-0.9
Manufacturing	41.1	40.9	43.0	0.2	-1.9
Durable Goods	27.3	27.3	28.9	0.0	-1.6
Primary Metals	1.7	1.6	1.8	0.1	-0.1
Blast furnaces	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0
Fabricated Metals	8.0	7.9	7.9	0.1	0.1
Cutlery,Hand tools,Hardware	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.1	0.1
Screw machine products, bolts, etc.	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.0	0.1
Machinery, except electrical	9.0	9.1	10.2	-0.1	-1.2
Special industry machinery	1.1	1.2	1.4	-0.1	-0.3
Nondurable Goods	13.8	13.6	14.1	0.2	-0.3
Food & kindred products	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.0
Textile mill products	2.7	2.6	2.6	0.1	0.1
Yarn and thread mills	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
Leather & Leather products	1.2	1.3	1.6	-0.1	-0.4
Footwear, except rubber	0.7	0.8	1.2	-0.1	-0.5
Construction	5.1	5.1	5.1	0.0	0.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	7.0	6.5	7.3	0.5	-0.3
Wholesale & Retail trade	33.7	33.1	34.4	0.6	-0.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	10.5	10.7	10.6	-0.2	-0.1
Banking	2.7	2.8	2.7	-0.1	0.0
Services & Mining	39.2	37.4	37.2	1.8	2.0
Government	22.2	21.1	22.1	1.1	0.1
Local	15.0	14.1	15.2	0.9	-0.2

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	SEPTEMBER 1983 EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL, MASSACHUSETTS-NEW HAMPSHIRE SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	113.8	106.3	112.3	7.5	1.5
Manufacturing	41.7	35.7	42.5	6.0	-0.8
Durable Goods	28.8	22.8	29.2	6.0	-0.4
Nondurable Goods	12.9	12.9	13.3	0.0	-0.4
Leather & Leather products	3.1	3.1	3.2	0.0	-0.1
Construction	3.5	3.5	3.3	0.0	0.2
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	4.8	3.3	4.6	1.5	0.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	23.1	22.9	22.1	0.2	1.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.5	4.5	4.3	0.0	0.2
Services & Mining	21.1	21.5	20.0	-0.4	1.1
Government	15.1	14.9	15.5	0.2	-0.4
LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	81.5	80.7	79.9	0.8	1.6
Manufacturing	33.0	33.0	30.7	0.0	2.3
Construction	2.5	2.5	2.8	0.0	-0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	2.9	2.5	3.1	0.4	-0.2
Wholesale & Retail trade	16.3	16.3	16.6	0.0	-0.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.3	2.3	2.2	0.0	0.1
Services & Mining	13.5	13.2	13.5	0.3	0.0
Government	11.0	10.9	11.0	0.1	0.0
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	39.2	37.9	39.6	1.3	-0.4
Manufacturing	16.1	15.6	16.0	0.5	0.1
Durable Goods	5.7	5.6	6.0	0.1	-0.3
Machinery, except electrical	3.8	3.7	3.9	0.1	-0.1
Nondurable Goods	10.4	10.0	10.0	0.4	0.4
Rubber & miscellaneous Plastic products	4.4	4.3	3.7	0.1	0.7
Construction	1.1	1.1	1.2	0.0	-0.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.3	1.0	1.7	0.3	-0.4
Wholesale & Retail trade	7.9	7.8	8.1	0.1	-0.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	1.7	1.6	1.6	0.1	0.1
Services & Mining	6.5	6.4	6.5	0.1	0.0
Government	4.6	4.4	4.5	0.2	0.1
PITTSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	49.9	51.1	51.2	-1.2	-1.3
Manufacturing	15.3	15.4	16.0	-0.1	-0.7
Durable Goods	10.4	10.4	10.7	0.0	-0.3
Machinery	9.2	9.2	9.5	0.0	-0.3
Other durable goods	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0
Nondurable Goods	4.9	5.0	5.3	-0.1	-0.4
Construction	1.5	1.5	1.6	0.0	-0.1
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.6	1.3	1.6	0.3	0.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	10.9	11.0	11.4	-0.1	-0.5
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.2	2.3	2.3	-0.1	-0.1
Services & Mining	11.0	12.2	11.5	-1.2	-0.5
Government	7.4	7.4	6.8	0.0	0.6

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.
* - Not currently validated by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT

SEPTEMBER 1983 — Revised to 1st Qtr 1982 Benchmark

INDUSTRY	EMPLOYMENT (in thousands)			Net change to Current month from:	
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	AUG 83	SEPT 82
BROCKTON, MASSACHUSETTS SMSA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	56.3	54.7	56.4	1.6	-0.1
Manufacturing	11.2	11.2	11.6	0.0	-0.4
Durable Goods	5.3	5.3	5.4	0.0	-0.1
Electrical & Electronic machinery,equip.,etc.	1.5	1.4	1.3	0.1	0.2
Nondurable Goods	5.9	5.9	6.2	0.0	-0.3
Construction	1.6	1.7	1.6	-0.1	0.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	3.7	2.9	3.7	0.8	0.0
Wholesale & Retail trade	15.6	15.4	15.6	0.2	0.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	0.0
Services & Mining	10.9	10.6	10.6	0.3	0.3
Government	11.0	10.6	11.0	0.4	0.0
Federal	2.5	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0
State	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0	0.0
Local	5.6	5.2	5.6	0.4	0.0
NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	64.4	64.0	63.5	0.4	0.9
Manufacturing	24.7	24.6	24.3	0.1	0.4
Durable Goods	8.7	8.6	8.2	0.1	0.5
Primary & Fabricated Metals	3.4	3.4	3.2	0.0	0.2
Nondurable Goods	16.0	16.0	16.1	0.0	-0.1
Apparel	7.5	7.5	7.7	0.0	-0.2
Construction	1.7	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	2.1	1.7	2.2	0.4	-0.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	12.1	12.2	12.3	-0.1	-0.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.2	2.2	2.0	0.0	0.2
Banking	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.0	0.1
Services & Mining	11.3	11.5	10.8	-0.2	0.5
Government	10.3	10.1	10.2	0.2	0.1
FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS-RHODE ISLAND LMA					
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	51.8	50.7	53.2	1.1	-1.4
Manufacturing	19.6	19.1	18.5	0.5	1.1
Textile mill products	4.5	4.4	4.1	0.1	0.4
Construction	2.1	2.2	1.8	-0.1	0.3
Transportation, Communication & Public Utilities	1.6	1.2	1.7	0.4	-0.1
Wholesale & Retail trade	10.8	10.7	11.6	0.1	-0.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	2.6	2.6	3.1	0.0	-0.5
Services & Mining	8.9	9.0	10.0	-0.1	-1.1
Government	6.2	5.9	6.5	0.3	-0.3

Note: Current month estimate preliminary.

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SEPTEMBER 1983 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ABINGTON TOWN	6,943	6,491	452	6.5
ACTON TOWN	9,698	9,276	422	4.4
ACUSHNET TOWN	4,814	4,447	367	7.6
ADAMS TOWN	5,205	4,781	424	8.1
AGAWAM TOWN	14,297	13,569	728	5.1
ALFORD TOWN	289	276	13	4.5
AMESBURY TOWN	7,559	6,854	705	9.3
AMHERST TOWN	16,727	15,686	1,041	6.2
ANDOVER TOWN	14,321	13,507	814	5.7
ARLINGTON CITY	27,127	25,949	1,178	4.3
ASHBURNHAM TOWN	2,055	1,789	266	12.9
ASHBY TOWN	1,121	966	155	13.8
ASHFIELD TOWN	810	749	61	7.5
ASHLAND TOWN	5,662	5,384	278	4.9
ATHOL TOWN	4,285	3,581	704	16.4
ATTLEBORO CITY	17,396	15,975	1,421	8.2
AUBURN TOWN	8,224	7,865	359	4.4
AVON TOWN	2,739	2,543	196	7.2
AYER TOWN	2,793	2,395	398	14.2
BARNSTABLE TOWN	18,882	17,760	1,122	5.9
BARRE TOWN	1,610	1,474	136	8.4
BECKET TOWN	611	582	29	4.7
BEDFORD TOWN	6,736	6,472	264	3.9
BELCHERTOWN TOWN	4,459	4,023	436	9.8
BELLINGHAM TOWN	7,319	6,767	552	7.5
BELMONT TOWN	13,899	13,326	573	4.1
BERKLEY TOWN	1,247	1,115	132	10.6
BERLIN TOWN	1,227	1,169	58	4.7
BERNARDSTON TOWN	921	865	56	6.1
BEVERLY CITY	20,663	19,481	1,182	5.7
BILLERICA TOWN	21,924	20,714	1,210	5.5
BLACKSTONE TOWN	3,002	2,752	250	8.3
BLANDFORD TOWN	400	348	52	13.0
BOLTON TOWN	1,864	1,786	78	4.2
BOSTON CITY	286,683	263,034	23,649	8.2
BOURNE TOWN	7,207	6,844	363	5.0
BOXBOROUGH TOWN	1,908	1,908	0	0.0
BOXFORD TOWN	2,598	2,515	83	3.2
BOYLSTON TOWN	1,989	1,891	98	4.9
BRAINTREE TOWN	19,331	18,090	1,241	6.4
BREWSTER TOWN	2,785	2,660	125	4.5
BRIDGEWATER TOWN	8,109	7,470	639	7.9
BRIMFIELD TOWN	1,198	1,107	91	7.6
BROCKTON CITY	45,597	41,135	4,462	9.8
BROOKFIELD TOWN	1,282	1,174	108	8.4
BROOKLINE TOWN	32,201	30,735	1,466	4.6
BUCKLAND TOWN	919	876	43	4.7
BURLINGTON TOWN	13,399	12,759	640	4.8
CAMBRIDGE CITY	54,331	51,038	3,293	6.1
CANTON TOWN	9,681	9,197	484	5.0
CARLISLE TOWN	1,780	1,657	123	6.9
CARVER TOWN	3,401	3,175	226	6.6
CHARLEMONT TOWN	602	541	61	10.1
CHARLTON TOWN	3,419	3,100	319	9.3
CHATHAM TOWN	3,263	3,166	97	3.0
CHELMSFORD TOWN	19,079	18,171	908	4.8
CHELSEA CITY	11,319	10,133	1,186	10.5
CHESHIRE TOWN	1,633	1,503	130	8.0
CHESTER TOWN	388	331	57	14.7
CHESTERFIELD TOWN	520	467	53	10.2
CHICOPEE CITY	29,269	27,047	2,222	7.6
CHILMARK TOWN	387	380	7	1.8
CLARKSBURG TOWN	1,034	937	97	9.4
CLINTON TOWN	6,395	5,814	581	9.1
COHASSET TOWN	3,612	3,419	193	5.3
COLRAIN TOWN	740	717	23	3.1
CONCORD TOWN	8,342	8,271	271	3.2
CONWAY TOWN	666	633	33	5.0
CUMMINGTON TOWN	249	222	27	10.8
DALTON TOWN	3,510	3,279	231	6.6
DANVERS TOWN	13,106	12,473	633	4.8
DARTMOUTH TOWN	12,700	11,611	1,089	8.6
DEDHAM TOWN	13,688	12,976	712	5.2
DEERFIELD TOWN	2,629	2,429	200	7.6
DENNIS TOWN	6,770	6,451	319	4.7
DIGHTON TOWN	2,599	2,349	250	9.6
DOUGLAS TOWN	1,858	1,716	142	7.6
DOVER TOWN	2,247	2,171	76	3.4
DRAGUT TOWN	13,360	12,574	786	5.9
DUDLEY TOWN	4,343	4,037	306	7.0
DUNSTABLE TOWN	1,002	950	52	5.2
DUXBURY TOWN	5,565	5,222	343	6.2

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EAST BRIDGEWATER TOWN	4,901	4,492	409	8.3
EAST BROOKFIELD TOWN	970	904	66	6.8
EAST LONGMEADOW TOWN	6,748	6,216	532	7.9
EASTHAM TOWN	2,160	1,977	183	8.5
EASTHAMPTON TOWN	8,523	8,138	385	4.5
EASTON TOWN	8,460	8,081	379	4.5
EDGARTOWN TOWN	1,743	1,687	56	3.2
EGREMONT TOWN	1,040	989	51	4.9
ERVING TOWN	550	446	104	18.9
ESSEX TOWN	2,118	1,981	137	6.5
EVERETT CITY	18,837	17,109	1,728	9.2
FAIRHAVEN TOWN	7,918	7,177	741	9.4
FALL RIVER CITY	41,045	36,434	4,611	11.2
FALMOUTH TOWN	14,465	13,449	1,016	7.0
FITCHBURG CITY	19,410	17,300	2,110	10.9
FLORIDA TOWN	389	349	40	10.3
FOXBOROUGH TOWN	7,542	7,121	421	5.6
FRAMINGHAM TOWN	37,679	36,065	1,614	4.3
FRANKLIN TOWN	9,045	8,419	626	6.9
FREETOWN TOWN	3,691	3,360	331	9.0
GARDNER CITY	9,063	8,110	953	10.5
GAY HEAD TOWN	149	142	7	4.7
GEORGETOWN TOWN	3,102	2,922	180	5.8
GILL TOWN	702	651	51	7.3
GLOUCESTER CITY	19,000	16,987	2,013	10.6
GOSHEN TOWN	254	242	12	4.7
GOSNOLD TOWN	48	48	0	0.0
GRAFTON TOWN	6,196	5,884	312	5.0
GRANBY TOWN	2,893	2,662	231	8.0
GRANVILLE TOWN	604	564	40	6.6
GREAT BARRINGTON TOWN	5,113	4,813	300	5.9
GREENFIELD TOWN	9,461	8,674	787	8.3
GROTON TOWN	2,401	2,268	133	5.5
GROVELAND TOWN	2,901	2,680	221	7.6
HADLEY TOWN	2,416	2,318	98	4.1
HALIFAX TOWN	2,384	2,201	183	7.7
HAMILTON TOWN	3,636	3,507	129	3.5
HAMPDEN TOWN	2,380	2,242	138	5.8
HANCOCK TOWN	366	327	39	10.7
HANOVER TOWN	5,668	5,393	275	4.9
HANSON TOWN	4,212	3,773	439	10.4
HARDWICK TOWN	754	674	80	10.6
HARVARD TOWN	2,258	2,137	121	5.4
HARWICH TOWN	4,911	4,484	427	8.7
HATFIELD TOWN	1,737	1,615	122	7.0
HAVERHILL CITY	24,730	22,312	2,418	9.8
HAWLEY TOWN	139	128	11	7.9
HEATH TOWN	235	221	14	6.0
HINGHAM TOWN	10,139	9,476	663	6.7
HINSDALE TOWN	829	763	66	8.0
HOLBROOK TOWN	6,053	5,648	405	6.7
HOLDEN TOWN	7,120	6,727	393	5.5
HOLLAND TOWN	741	673	68	9.2
HOLLISTON TOWN	6,829	6,573	256	3.7
HOLYOKE CITY	20,085	18,221	1,864	9.3
HOPEDALE TOWN	2,388	2,160	228	9.5
HOPKINTON TOWN	4,700	4,485	215	4.6
HUBBARDSTON TOWN	892	794	98	11.0
HUDSON TOWN	12,920	12,295	625	4.8
HULL TOWN	4,692	4,194	498	10.6
HUNTINGTON TOWN	698	597	101	14.5
IPSWICH TOWN	6,680	6,203	477	7.1
KINGSTON TOWN	3,641	3,421	220	6.0
LAKEVILLE TOWN	2,967	2,712	255	8.6
LANCASTER TOWN	3,068	2,840	228	7.4
LANESBOROUGH TOWN	1,678	1,516	162	9.7
LAWRENCE CITY	31,539	27,901	3,638	11.5
LEE TOWN	3,186	2,921	265	8.3
LEICESTER TOWN	4,953	4,597	356	7.2
LENOX TOWN	3,440	3,203	237	6.9
LEOMINSTER CITY	17,037	15,751	1,286	7.5
LEVERETT TOWN	853	814	39	4.6
LEXINGTON TOWN	16,339	15,667	672	4.1
LEYDEN TOWN	285	258	27	9.5
LINCOLN TOWN	3,085	2,938	147	4.8
LITTLETON TOWN	2,861	2,669	192	6.7
LONGMEADOW TOWN	8,024	7,588	436	5.4
LOWELL CITY	53,216	49,243	3,973	7.5
LUDLOW TOWN	10,342	9,716	626	6.1
LUNENBURG TOWN	4,220	3,957	263	6.2
LYNN CITY	37,992	35,399	2,593	6.8
LYNNFIELD TOWN	5,741	5,512	229	4.0

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City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employ-ment	Unemploy-ment	Rate
MALDEN CITY	27,346	25,737	1,809	6.6
MANCHESTER TOWN	2,701	2,585	116	4.3
MANSFIELD TOWN	5,320	4,986	334	6.3
MARBLEHEAD TOWN	10,951	10,325	626	5.7
MARION TOWN	1,988	1,725	263	13.2
MARLBOROUGH CITY	24,245	23,080	1,165	4.8
MARSHFIELD TOWN	10,697	9,977	720	6.7
MASHPEE TOWN	2,374	2,257	117	4.9
MATTAPOISETT TOWN	3,031	2,762	269	8.9
MAYNARD TOWN	7,424	6,947	477	6.4
MEDFIELD TOWN	5,070	4,878	192	3.8
MEDFORD CITY	30,198	28,330	1,868	6.2
MEDWAY TOWN	4,380	4,172	208	4.7
MELROSE CITY	15,740	14,897	843	5.4
MENDON TOWN	1,879	1,807	72	3.8
MERRIMAC TOWN	2,406	2,211	195	8.1
METHUEN TOWN	21,289	19,715	1,574	7.4
MIDDLEBOROUGH TOWN	8,572	7,941	631	7.4
MIDDLEFIELD TOWN	151	112	39	25.8
MIDDLETON TOWN	2,353	2,226	127	5.4
MILFORD TOWN	14,968	13,681	1,287	8.6
MILLBURY TOWN	6,268	5,683	585	9.3
MILLIS TOWN	3,609	3,432	177	4.9
MILLVILLE TOWN	789	710	79	10.0
MILTON TOWN	12,577	11,982	595	4.7
MONROE TOWN	80	70	10	12.5
MONSON TOWN	3,591	3,338	253	7.0
MONTAGUE TOWN	4,080	3,828	252	6.2
MONTEREY TOWN	637	613	24	3.8
MONTGOMERY TOWN	295	282	13	4.4
MOUNT WASHINGTON TOWN	87	84	3	3.4
NAHANT TOWN	2,075	1,987	88	4.2
NANTUCKET TOWN	5,079	4,965	114	2.2
NATICK TOWN	16,605	15,934	671	4.0
NEEDHAM TOWN	14,810	14,189	621	4.2
NEW ASHFORD TOWN	112	106	6	5.4
NEW BEDFORD CITY	48,952	42,715	6,237	12.7
NEW BRAINTREE TOWN	240	222	18	7.5
NEW MARLBOROUGH TOWN	835	791	44	5.3
NEW SALEM TOWN	294	255	39	13.3
NEWBURY TOWN	2,667	2,368	299	11.2
NEWBURYPORT CITY	9,459	8,695	764	8.1
NEWTON CITY	46,408	44,351	2,057	4.4
NORFOLK TOWN	2,766	2,640	126	4.6
NORTH ADAMS TOWN	8,869	7,898	971	10.9
NORTH ANDOVER TOWN	10,860	10,203	657	6.0
NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH TOWN	10,609	9,800	809	7.6
NORTH BROOKFIELD TOWN	2,008	1,907	101	5.0
NORTH READING TOWN	6,318	6,006	312	4.9
NORTHAMPTON CITY	15,431	14,434	997	6.5
NORTHBOROUGH TOWN	5,624	5,418	206	3.7
NORTHBRIDGE TOWN	6,352	5,862	490	7.7
NORTHFIELD TOWN	1,268	1,190	78	6.2
NORTON TOWN	6,437	5,852	585	9.1
NORWELL TOWN	4,534	4,370	164	3.6
NORWOOD TOWN	16,695	15,903	792	4.7
OAK BLUFFS TOWN	1,355	1,275	80	5.9
OAKHAM TOWN	349	308	41	11.7
ORANGE TOWN	2,552	2,161	391	15.3
ORLEANS TOWN	2,901	2,765	136	4.7
OTIS TOWN	452	421	31	6.9
OXFORD TOWN	6,089	5,496	593	9.7
PALMER TOWN	6,146	5,837	309	5.0
PAXTON TOWN	2,022	1,970	52	2.6
PEABODY CITY	25,144	23,482	1,662	6.6
PELHAM TOWN	627	592	35	5.6
PEMBROKE TOWN	6,744	6,183	561	8.3
PEPPERELL TOWN	2,988	2,718	270	9.0
PERU TOWN	315	291	24	7.6
PETERSHAM TOWN	411	382	29	7.1
PHILLIPSTON TOWN	404	346	58	14.4
PITTSFIELD CITY	26,684	24,271	2,413	9.0
PLAINFIELD TOWN	159	127	32	20.1
PLAINVILLE TOWN	2,946	2,715	231	7.8
PLYMOUTH TOWN	18,739	17,502	1,237	6.6
PLYMPTON TOWN	1,079	1,013	66	6.1
PRINCETON TOWN	1,263	1,178	85	6.7
PROVINCETOWN TOWN	2,733	2,226	507	18.6
QUINCY CITY	43,613	42,824	2,789	6.1
RANDOLPH TOWN	15,473	14,554	919	5.9
RAYNHAM TOWN	4,257	3,903	354	8.3
READING TOWN	12,442	11,900	542	4.4
REHOBOTH TOWN	3,685	3,364	321	8.7
REVERE CITY	21,818	19,845	1,973	9.0
RICHMOND TOWN	872	838	34	3.9
ROCHESTER TOWN	1,581	1,454	127	8.0
ROCKLAND TOWN	7,919	7,195	724	9.1
ROCKPORT TOWN	3,951	3,521	430	10.9
ROWE TOWN	142	142	0	0.0
ROWLEY TOWN	2,475	2,334	141	5.7
ROYALSTON TOWN	418	333	85	20.3
RUSSELL TOWN	777	733	44	5.7
RUTLAND TOWN	2,175	2,053	122	5.6
SALEM CITY	20,395	19,138	1,257	6.2
SALISBURY TOWN	3,148	2,829	319	10.1
SANDISFIELD TOWN	447	424	23	5.1
SANDWICH TOWN	5,331	5,098	233	4.4
SAUGUS TOWN	13,231	12,529	702	5.3
SAVOY TOWN	316	271	45	14.2
SCITUATE TOWN	8,870	8,348	522	5.9
SEEKONK TOWN	6,207	5,641	566	9.1
SHARON TOWN	7,363	6,938	425	5.8
SHEFFIELD TOWN	2,028	1,937	91	4.5
SHELBURNE TOWN	928	875	53	5.7
SHERBORN TOWN	1,923	1,888	35	1.8
SHIRLEY TOWN	2,495	2,232	263	10.5
SHREWSBURY TOWN	12,541	11,821	720	5.7
SHUTESBURY TOWN	617	583	34	5.5
SOMERSET TOWN	9,436	8,647	789	8.4
SOMERVILLE CITY	41,641	38,828	2,813	6.8
SOUTH HADLEY TOWN	9,168	8,620	548	6.0
SOUTHAMPTON TOWN	2,298	2,157	141	6.1
SOUTHBOROUGH TOWN	4,638	4,421	217	4.7
SOUTHBRIDGE TOWN	7,682	7,001	681	8.9
SOUTHWICK TOWN	4,007	3,724	283	7.1
SPENCER TOWN	5,405	5,048	357	6.6
SPRINGFIELD CITY	72,772	65,857	6,915	9.5
STERLING TOWN	2,848	2,742	106	3.7
STOCKBRIDGE TOWN	1,300	1,246	54	4.2
STONEHAM TOWN	11,483	11,001	482	4.2
STOUGHTON TOWN	14,302	13,290	1,012	7.1
STOW TOWN	3,884	3,741	143	3.7
STURBRIDGE TOWN	3,011	2,633	378	12.6
SUDBURY TOWN	7,158	6,861	297	4.1
SUNDERLAND TOWN	1,868	1,772	96	5.1
SUTTON TOWN	2,984	2,715	269	9.0
SWAMPSCOTT TOWN	7,255	6,932	323	4.5
SWANSEA TOWN	7,438	6,848	590	7.9
TAUNTON CITY	20,741	18,498	2,243	10.8
TEMPLETON TOWN	2,818	2,573	245	8.7
TEWKSBURY TOWN	14,576	13,758	818	5.6
TISBURY TOWN	2,414	2,308	106	4.4
TOLLAND TOWN	107	83	24	22.4
TOPSFIELD TOWN	2,830	2,733	97	3.4
TOWNSEND TOWN	3,471	3,263	208	6.0
TRURO TOWN	848	710	138	16.3
TYNGSBOROUGH TOWN	3,544	3,383	161	4.5
TYRINGHAM TOWN	207	200	7	3.4
UPTON TOWN	2,050	1,955	95	4.6
UXBRIDGE TOWN	4,443	3,981	462	10.4
WAKEFIELD TOWN	13,572	12,767	805	5.9
WALES TOWN	579	498	81	14.0
WALPOLE TOWN	9,764	9,284	480	4.9
WALTHAM CITY	32,576	31,047	1,529	4.7
WARE TOWN	3,057	2,658	399	13.1
WAREHAM TOWN	8,740	7,951	789	9.0
WARREN TOWN	1,787	1,693	94	5.3
WARWICK TOWN	224	190	34	15.2
WASHINGTON TOWN	299	270	29	9.7
WATERTOWN TOWN	19,989	19,074	915	4.6
WAYLAND TOWN	6,610	6,376	234	3.5
WEBSTER TOWN	7,296	6,610	686	9.4
WELLESLEY TOWN	13,784	13,143	641	4.7
WELLFLEET TOWN	1,239	1,118	121	9.8
WENDELL TOWN	369	267	102	27.6
WENHAM TOWN	1,977	1,912	65	3.3
WEST BOYLSTON TOWN	3,319	3,137	182	5.5
WEST BRIDGEWATER TOWN	3,109	2,864	245	7.9

SEPTEMBER 1983 PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES

City or Town Name	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
WEST BROOKFIELD TOWN	983	902	81	8.2
WEST NEWBURY TOWN	1,562	1,394	174	11.1
WEST SPRINGFIELD TOWN	15,094	14,310	784	5.2
WEST STOCKBRIDGE TOWN	661	618	43	6.5
WEST TISBURY TOWN	858	849	9	1.0
WESTBOROUGH TOWN	7,831	7,420	411	5.2
WESTFIELD CITY	18,697	17,260	1,437	7.7
WESTFORD TOWN	7,897	7,553	344	4.4
WESTHAMPTON TOWN	621	600	21	3.4
WESTMINSTER TOWN	2,524	2,410	114	4.5
WESTON TOWN	5,570	5,475	95	1.7
WESTPORT TOWN	6,509	5,841	668	10.3
WESTWOOD TOWN	6,868	6,651	217	3.2
WEYMOUTH TOWN	30,071	28,091	1,980	6.6
WHATELY TOWN	781	733	48	6.1
WHITMAN TOWN	6,599	6,232	367	5.6
WILBRAHAM TOWN	6,420	6,042	378	5.9
WILLIAMSBURG TOWN	1,278	1,172	106	8.3
WILLIAMSTOWN TOWN	4,326	4,157	169	3.9
WILMINGTON TOWN	9,025	8,470	555	6.1
WINCHENDON TOWN	3,296	2,937	359	10.9
WINCHESTER TOWN	10,642	10,240	402	3.8
WINDSOR TOWN	311	299	12	3.9
WINTHROP TOWN	10,715	10,044	671	6.3
WOBURN CITY	20,468	19,652	816	4.0
WORCESTER CITY	80,992	74,187	6,805	8.4
WORTHINGTON TOWN	360	320	40	11.1
WRENTHAM TOWN	3,304	3,108	196	5.9
YARMOUTH TOWN	9,830	9,319	511	5.2

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS[1]
MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

MASSACHUSETTS AND THE LABOR AREAS	INITIAL CLAIMS			CONTINUED CLAIMS[2]		
	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82	SEPT 83	AUG 83	SEPT 82
MASSACHUSETTS	6,818	6,635	9,815	51,589	65,632	78,887
MAJOR LABOR AREAS						
BOSTON SMSA	2,175	2,312	3,164	22,852	28,618	31,994
BROCKTON SMSA	187	199	285	1,644	2,189	2,422
FALL RIVER LMA[3]	428	370	872	2,450	2,536	3,577
LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL SMSA[4]	346	393	435	2,788	3,584	4,439
LOWELL LMA	272	277	380	2,053	2,542	3,089
NEW BEDFORD LMA	532	455	783	2,183	2,426	3,887
SPRINFIELD-CHICOPEE-HOLYOKE LMA	1,030	802	904	5,295	7,316	8,042
WORCESTER LMA	429	429	862	3,580	4,589	6,643
OTHER LABOR AREAS						
ATHOL LMA	79	76	93	552	555	682
BARNSTABLE COUNTY LMA	173	151	287	1,009	1,229	1,562
CLINTON LMA	23	26	34	198	277	370
DUKES COUNTY LMA	8	7	14	42	52	65
FITCHBURG-LEOMINSTER LMA	126	133	219	1,026	1,365	1,875
GARDNER LMA	94	91	109	645	628	792
GLOUCESTER LMA	155	130	220	799	776	805
GREAT BARRINGTON LMA	16	16	20	124	153	164
GREENFIELD LMA	50	43	205	478	648	760
MARLBOROUGH LMA	49	38	78	476	601	842
MILFORD LMA	41	45	84	451	555	662
NANTUCKET LMA	2	2	4	11	14	17
NEWBURYPORT LMA	51	52	80	416	576	722
PITTSFIELD LMA	174	190	221	1,317	1,562	1,788
PLYMOUTH LMA	83	81	119	653	881	1,022
SOUTHBRIDGE LMA	47	65	80	346	440	597
TAUNTON LMA	107	113	153	692	999	1,095
WARE LMA	17	26	31	174	253	259

1 - Week that includes the 12th
2 - Includes regular compensation not extended compensation
3 - Includes Rhode Island residents of LMA
4 - Includes New Hampshire residents of SMSA

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EXPLANATION OF TERMS

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment. Includes all workers who worked full or part-time or who received vacation pay, holiday pay or sick leave pay directly from the employer for the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excluded are workers in most agricultural industries as well as those in forestry, fisheries and international government. Also excluded are self-employed workers, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households.

Benchmark. A reasonably complete count of employment at a specified period of time, usually the first quarter of the year. The principal source of benchmark data for the CES Program are tabulations of employment reported by establishments covered by the Massachusetts Employment Security Law and by Federal government agencies covered by Federal U.I. Law. These principal sources are supplemented for those nonagricultural jobs not covered by U.I. (e.g., religious, students employed by the institution attended).

Establishment. An establishment is an economic unit which produces goods or services, generally at a single physical location, and is engaged in only one type of activity.

Labor Force. The sum of the employed and unemployed living in the area (total employment plus total unemployment).

Total Employment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did any work at all, in any area, for pay or profit during the week of the month including the 12th or who had a job from which they were temporarily absent because of illness, vacation, labor dispute or other reasons which does not reflect a shortage of work.

Total Unemployment. The count of persons, living in the area, who did no work at all, in any area, during the week of the month including the 12th, but who were looking for work or awaiting recall from layoff or beginning a new job within the next 30 days.

Unemployment Rate. Unemployment expressed as a percent of the labor force.